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FEE: \$2,000.00 NCHU application
\$500.00 (per client approved)

APPLICATION FOR EXPANSION IN NET CLIENT HUNTING USE (NCHU)

This form must be completed in its entirety and submitted with all required documents and the \$2,000.00 application fee. The application fee is non-refundable. Please review your form carefully. Incomplete applications will be returned causing a delay in the processing. The \$500.00 per client approved fee will be assessed when and if the application is approved.

Check (✓) the applicable box below that best describes the type of expansion you are applying for:

Current Outfitter/NCHU Base Expansion ☐

New Outfitter License Applicant/New NCHU Base ☐

APPLICANT NAME: _____ **LICENSE #** _____

MAILING ADDRESS: _____
City, State, ZIP

PART I: In the spaces provided below, identify your current NCHU Base in each category. Then indicate the number of clients that you propose to **ADD** to your current NCHU Base in each category. *New Outfitter License Applicant/New NCHU Base requests are required to fill in current NCHU base numbers with "0".*

Category 1 - Big Game, Outfitter Sponsored. Includes nonresident deer or elk clients holding B-10 or B-11 licenses ("Big Game Set Aside") licenses under sponsorship of a licensed outfitter.

Current # of B-10 Clients (Elk or Elk-Deer Combo): _____ Additional # of B-10 Clients Proposed: _____

Current # of B-11 Clients (Deer Combo): _____ Additional # of B-11 Clients Proposed: _____

Category 2 - Big Game Non-outfitter Sponsored. Includes deer or elk clients other than those under Category 1 above, and antelope, lion, sheep, bear, moose, and goat clients.

Current # of Elk Clients: _____ Additional # of Elk Clients Proposed: _____

Current # of Deer Clients: _____ Add. # Deer Clients Proposed: _____

Current # of Antelope Clients: _____ Additional # of Antelope Clients Proposed: _____

Current # of Lion Clients: _____ Additional # of Lion Clients Proposed: _____

Current # of Sheep Clients: _____ Additional # of Sheep Clients Proposed: _____

Current # of Bear Clients: _____ Additional # of Bear Clients Proposed: _____

Current # of Goat Clients: _____ Additional # of Goat Clients Proposed: _____

Current # of Moose Clients: _____ Additional # of Moose Clients Proposed: _____

Category 3 - Non-Big Game. Includes upland game bird, migratory game bird (waterfowl) and turkey clients only (not included under the B-10 or B-11 licenses above).

Current # of Upland Bird Clients: _____ Add. # of Upland Bird Clients Proposed: _____

Current # of Waterfowl Clients: _____ Add. # of Waterfowl Clients Proposed: _____

Current # of Turkey Clients: _____ Add. # of Turkey Clients Proposed: _____

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PART II: Answer the following questions, "Yes" or "No", by checking (✓) the appropriate box as it pertains to this expansion request:

1. Does this request create closure of a public right-of-way? ☐ NO ☐ YES
2. Do you have current license restrictions imposed by the Board or are you currently subject to a disciplinary action imposed by the board? ☐ NO ☐ YES
3. Have you been convicted or pleaded guilty to a violation of Montana hunting or fishing statutes, rules, or regulations in the last 3 years? ☐ NO ☐ YES
4. Is any information in this NCHU request inaccurate or untrue? ☐ NO ☐ YES
5. Does this request cover adequate land to ensure the personal safety of hunters? ☐ NO ☐ YES
6. Is there sufficient wildlife available to support the proposed number of hunters covered under this request? ☐ NO ☐ YES
7. Will this proposed expansion create or exacerbate a game damage situation? ☐ NO ☐ YES
8. Will this proposed expansion restrict the current efforts of the Department of Fish, Wildlife, and Parks to manage area wildlife through permits issued to public hunters? ☐ NO ☐ YES

NOTE: In accordance with Section 37-47-317(2), MCA, an NCHU expansion request may not be granted if any of the above or following criteria is established.

PART III: In considering this NCHU expansion request, the Board shall also consider any analysis and comments submitted by the Department of Fish, Wildlife, and Parks. Departmental analysis may include but is not limited to the following criteria: You must address the criteria in the response section.

1. Whether historic hunting data, such as the past occurrence of outfitting or public hunting, supports this request.

RESPONSE:

2. Whether negative impacts to the wildlife population will occur, given documented wildlife trends in the geographical region encompassed by the expansion request.

RESPONSE:

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3. Whether public access or public hunting trends in the geographic region affected by the request will be negatively impacted.

RESPONSE:

4. Whether there have been past substantiated conflicts between the hunting public and outfitters or between individual outfitters and their clients in the local geographic region affected by the request.

RESPONSE:

5. If the expansion will create a negative effect on wildlife habitat.

RESPONSE:

6. If the expansion will have negative implications on hunting on public land, hunting access, or outfitting.

RESPONSE:

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7. Whether analysis of existing data regarding wildlife, hunting access, or other relevant information supports the expansion request.

RESPONSE:

8. Whether there will be impacts on previously available hunting access in the local geographic region affected by the request, such as impact on the Block Management Program.

RESPONSE:

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PART IV: Complete entirely.

1. Does your application for expansion in Net Client Hunting Use involve the addition of land not currently part of your approved operations plan? ☐ NO ☐ YES

Complete question number 2 if the answer to question number 1 is "yes". Skip to question number 3 if the answer to question number 1 is "no".

2. Identify the land that you propose to **add** to your operation plan as part of this application. You will need to provide the requested information below for each individual tract of land. Make as many copies of this page as needed and then complete the page for each tract. In identifying such land(s), please list a brief description of the lands by listing only the Townships and Ranges in the section provided below. Submit a completed land use approval form with the full legal description attached. If your application involves private lands intermingled with public lands, provide the same information for each applicable public land and attach a copy of your current permit(s). Enclose a BLM Surface Minerals Management map outlining the area(s) of use. The maps are available for all areas of the state and can be ordered from BLM, P.O. Box 36800, in Billings, MT 59107. The phone number in Billings is (406) 255-2882. *Note: If this application is a Current Outfitter/NCHU Base Expansion your completion of this portion of the application shall constitute an application to amend your approved operations plan.*

Legal Description: _____

Size of Tract (Acres): _____

Owner: _____
Name Address Phone

3. Identify the existing land within your approved operation plan on which you propose to serve your additional clients identified in Part I. You will need to provide the requested information below for each individual tract of land. Make as many copies of this page as needed and then complete the page for each tract. In identifying such land(s), please list a brief description of the lands by listing only the Townships and Ranges in the section provided below. Submit a completed land use approval form with the full legal description attached. If your application involves private lands intermingled with public lands, provide the same information for each applicable public land and attach a copy of your current permit(s). Enclose a BLM Surface Minerals Management map outlining the area(s) of use. The maps are available for all areas of the state and can be ordered from BLM, P.O. Box 36800, in Billings, MT 59107. The phone number in Billings is (406) 255-2882.

Legal Description: _____

Size of Tract (Acres): _____

Number of clients currently served by you on such land: _____

Owner: _____
Name Address Phone

Signed _____ Date _____

Outfitter License No. _____

Failure to provide all pertinent information and documentation will result in the expansion request being deferred without action until the subsequent meeting of the Board. If you fail to provide the pertinent information and documentation before the subsequent Board meeting, the request must be denied.